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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action of November 21, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully and timely submitted.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 32, 38, and 39 as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A strip lighting device which includes:
an elongate housing that is at least partially translucent;
a multiplicity of light sources arranged at intervals within said housing, wherein said light sources are substantially not visible to human eyes when not activated and viewed from outside said housing, and substantially not distinguishable when activated and viewed from outside said housing; and
means to diffuse, disperse or scatter light from said light sources whereby on activation of the light sources, said housing glows when viewed from the outside so as to form a strip or line of light.

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32. (Twice Amended) A housing assembly for strip lighting, including: